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Julius Genachowski
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As an advocate for business in the Greater Hilliard, Ohio area, I am writing in regard to the FCC's consideration of "network neutrality" regulations.

Our nation has seen tremendous advancements in technology over the past few years, especially in the area of wireless data capabilities. Our members use Internet technology extensively in their businesses, so we become concerned when sweeping regulations are being considered.

The term "network neutrality" sounds laudable, but this term has been misused and misinterpreted so often that it has turned into the opposite of what it presumes to protect. Overlaying burdensome regulations on the Internet will create undesirable consequences such as discouraging new investments in infrastructure and restricting essential network management of Internet traffic. Ultimately, such an environment would diminish the Internet experience for my Chamber members and all consumers.

We have yet to hear a credible argument that demonstrates that the Internet is somehow broken and needs to be fixed through government regulation. The FCC should not rush to regulate the Internet.

Sincerely,

Libby Gierach
President/CEO